

THE EMPRESS EXPRESS

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Price: \$1.50 Per Year

NEXT MONDAY IS POLLING DAY

Coming

CHRISTMAS—Sure you knew it. You also know there will be gifts Coming—and gifts going. Let those gifts be practical ones; not the pleasure of a day but of many days. Think over these suggestions:

TIES

of quality. Our range is exceptionally full this year. New Patterns just in, all prices

50c to \$1.50

SCARFS

Knitted Silk, Tube Silk and flat foldings prices

\$1 to \$3.50

HANDKERCHIEFS

Pure Irish Linen, 6 to the box

at \$1.50

HOSIERY

boxed in any quantity at
10-15-20-25-30c
Fine Cashmere and Silks.
Every pair in a Xmas box each

50c to \$1

Special in

Sweaters

FOR 12 DAYS

The entire stock

at 10 p.c. Off

The values were the best in the country before—now they are better still.

Fine Caps, Silk Shirts, French Flannel Shirts, Silk Underwear, Newest Shoes Club Bags, Suit Cases—**MAKE IDEAL GIFTS**

OVERCOATS

for the Boys

SUITS

For Every Man

We still have about

100 suits

in Stock of the present quality (F.C.) tailored, new patterns and models

from Now until
December 24th,

10 p.c. off

Every Suit

BUY YOUR GIFTS
EARLY AND BUY
AT

Peters

The Store With The
Stock

In this issue of the "Express" will be noticed adverts for both the Liberal and the Unionist causes. The issue at present before the Canadian people, and which you are asked to solve by your vote on Monday, December 17th, is one of the gravest and most serious that the country has been called on to face. Rode to the limit by and nauseated by the stench from the corruption of Canadian Party Politics, the voter cannot be blamed if he is nervous and suspicious of any issue placed before him on the political pedestals.

But the war apparently is acting like a dutch cleanser. Recognising its limitations and its need for assistance, the Tory party endeavored to select from itself and the opposition the good metal from the dross—and this combination is asking the people for re-election under the Union Flag for the earnest prosecution of the war and the dispensation of the affairs of the country free from party patronage.

During its brief history to-date, the Union Government in the opinion of leading men has already more than justified its existence. Many things have been accomplished which would have been difficult undertakings for a party government—"A promise has been made to deliver the Civil Service from partizanship influence, the Canadian Packing Plants are being taken in hand with a view to limiting their profits, the Distillation of Liquor has been stopped, and the waste of foodstuffs in liquor manufacture has been reduced. Some of the abuses of the military system have been brought to an end and pensions and separation allowances to soldiers have been increased."

Recognising then these things also the necessity for the earnest prosecution of the war abroad, the "Express," which has always maintained an independent attitude in regard to politics has no hesitation in declaring itself in favor of the Union Government. We believe that the country at the present time can be served best by a Union Government, and we credit those prominent Liberals who have entered this Government as being honest in their convictions in this regard.

PIGEON CAUGHT AT HALIFAX CARRIED GERMAN MESSAGE

Halifax, N. S., Dec. 11.—The capture of a carrier pigeon, under whose wings was a message in German, was reported to the police today. The pigeon probably wounded in the explosion Thursday, entered the window of a home near the burned area. Its number was "New York Number 29."

The pigeon was turned over to the chief of police of Dartmouth, who declined to make any statement pending the delivery of the message to the military authorities.

The woman who captured it said the bird was suffering intensely from the cold and seemed to have come in for shelter.

Here are the names of the big men of the old Liberal Party who have pulled out from Laurier and joined the Union Government. Michael Clark, Carevell, Guthrie, Pardee, MacLean, Graham, Fielding, Murray, Norris, Calder, Sitton, Brewster, all against their old leader, because they recognise the twelfth hour is striking for Canada, whether she shall emerge as a nation or as a shrinking weakling in the category of the Bolsheviks and Mexico. If you are with these big men your vote will be recorded for Sifton.—Let Canada emerge as a nation.

Get your typewriter ribbons and supplies, and counter check books at "The Express" office.

Germany Made Overtures With Great Britain To Secure Terms of Peace

London, Dec. 11.—Foreign Secretary Balfour told the House of Commons today that a communication had been received by Great Britain from Germany last September, through a neutral diplomatic channel, to the effect that Germany would be glad to get into communication with Great Britain in regard to peace.

The British government replied it was prepared to receive any communication the German government might decide to make, and discuss it with Great Britain's allies.

Union Tide Is Sweeping Through Ontario

The Union Government offices in Toronto have issued the following statement—

"The tide is running steadily and strongly in favor of Union Government throughout the whole of the province of Ontario. About two weeks ago some local irritation arose out of the operation of the exemption tribunals which the opponents of Union Government endeavored to seize upon to improve their propaganda in the rural communities against the Union government, but this effort was short-lived and has wholly broken down and the people throughout the country, both Liberal and Conservative, are staunchly and overwhelmingly supporting Union."

What has been done in Six Weeks of UNION GOVERNMENT

Prohibition of the manufacture of alcohol for drinking purposes in Canada.

Fixing the price of flour, allowing a maximum of 25c per barrel to millers

Government control of all packing plants and cold storage houses, with collections of all past illegitimate profits on bacon and other necessities of life and all other illegitimate profits on war supplies.

Arranging through Canadian banks a loan of one hundred million dollars to Great Britain for the purchase of Western Canada's wheat crop of 1917.

Established maximum price of \$10,000,000 for the C. N. R. as against a price of \$30,000,000 suggested as a fair price by the resolution of the opposition in Parliament.

Increased pensions of all soldiers below the rank of lieutenant by 33 1-3 per cent, such increase to apply as from the beginning of the war.

Appointment of special committee to deal with the war and reconstruction problems.

Abolition of Patronage System.

Reform of Civil Service.

Since taking office only returned Soldiers have been or will be taken in the outside Service of the Customs Department over which I preside.

Five of the most important portfolios in the Union Government are held by men who had never taken part in a political meeting or a political contest up to six weeks ago.

On Monday, Dec. 17
VOTE FOR

Hon. A. L. Sifton

Who represents a fearless and
non-partizan Government

UNION BANK OF CANADA

A Joint Account is a Great Convenience for family funds. It may be opened with the Union Bank of Canada in the names of two persons,

either of whom can make deposits or withdraw money when in town or when passing the bank. It is especially convenient if the husband is frequently away on trips, as it enables the wife to procure funds for expenses on her own signature alone.

Empress Branch - W. M. CROSBIE, Manager

LUMBER and BUILDING MATERIAL

DO YOU EVER CONSIDER THE FACT that sooner or later you will have to do building for shelter, probably a house or a barn?

If it is repairing (RIGHT NOW) is the time to make repairs most economically. If it is a new building do not deceive yourself, it will certainly cost more later on.

Why not decide at once, and let us make you a price on the material you need.

We are prepared to quote you the lowest prices and most reasonable terms on all building material.

DECIDE QUICK, WINTER WILL SOON BE HERE

Revelstoke Sawmill Co.

EMPRESS, Alberta.

G. M. SMITH, Agent

It is now Too Late

to buy Victory bonds. The one NEXT BEST BET is to secure a

Policy in the Canada Life Assurance Company.

A Policy without regrets

R. M. HENDERSON

Agent: Empress, Alberta

Farm Lands Loans Conveyancing

Horses!

Farm or General Work Horses.

Stock Always On Hand Our Motto: Courtesy and Square Dealing

John Wilson Sale Barn

John Wilson, proprietor Next to Revelstoke Lumber Yard, 2nd Street, W. Empress



WE HANDLE

Deering & McCormick

Farm Machinery and keep a full stock of Repairs

C. O. CARLSON

At the Empress Lumber Yard

A GOOD PLACE TO STABLE YOUR TEAM

or get your Light or Heavy Draying done by is the

Hanson & Johnston Livery Barn

SERVICE AND SATISFACTION

Horses or Cattle always on hand for Sale or Trade

THE EMPRESS EXPRESS

Published in the interests of Empress and District Subscription price \$1.50 per year to any part of Canada or Great Britain

\$2.00 to the United States

C. E. Sexton Proprietors A. Haskin

Business levels 50c. for five lines or less, over five lines 10c. per line. Display advt. rates made known on application.

THURSDAY, DEC. 13th, 1917

First Draft Called January 3rd

Ottawa, Dec. 8.—The first draft of men under the military Service Act will be called to the colors on January 3. It was originally hoped as stated in the proclamation, calling on the first-class to register, to put the first draft on active service by December 10, but owing to the fact that a very large proportion of the men in the first-class postponed reporting for service or claiming exemption until the last days of the period fixed by the proclamation of October 13, for the compliance with the law, it has been found that the work of registrars and tribunals has not yet advanced sufficiently to make it practicable to call a draft to the colors on the date indicated.

It would probably be possible, it is pointed out here, to make a call about December 24 or 25, but it is felt that the members of the draft should be afforded an opportunity of spending the Christmas season with their families and friends. It has therefore been decided to fix January 3 as the date upon which the first members of the draft will be required to join the nearest depot battalion. Notice will be sent in due course by registered mail to the men affected.

How many men will actually be called to the colors on Jan. 3 has not been determined. Between 20,000 and 30,000 have been generally indicated, and it is possible that this will be about the number. How the first draft will be selected from among the men in the class has also not yet been determined.

The largest Christmas stock in Empress. Look it over, at Davy's.

LOST—A Great War Veterans Association Badge, has been lost in Empress, No. 5193. Finder please return to the Empress Express at the badge is too good to lose and the owner.

FOR SALE—The underlined has for sale four Oxen in good condition. Apply R. MCKIN, Section 23, range 1, Cavendish, Alberta.

DRESSMAKING

Dressmaking by the day. Please enquire at once. Miss Alice Everson, c/o Mrs. W. C. Boyd, Empress.

Job Printing

We do it!

Give us your next order. Your work will be appreciated.

The Express

Only Ten Days Before Christmas



DO YOUR SHOPPING EARLY WHILE YOU CAN GET AN ASSORTMENT

We Have

PRESENTS

For Everybody

At Reasonable Prices

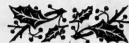
Also Candies, Nuts, Oranges, Figs, Dates, and

EVERYTHING FOR THE CHRISTMAS CAKE

We also have a Fine Line of Felts, Moccasins, Mackinaws, Fur Coats, Sheep Skins, and

Everything to Keep You Warm These Cold Days

CALL ON US AT THE OLD STAND



J. I. STOUT

Lands, Loans and Insurance

Best Companies

Prompt Service

J. CUSACK

Large Stock of Choice Christmas Fruits and Candies

Fresh in This Week. They are Just The Kind you are looking for.

You will benefit by a visit to our store at this season, we have many goods and knock-knacks you need.

The Empress J. KIRNER proprietor Trading Co.

What! Christmas Only Three Weeks Away

Well, I must secure my gifts and the best place I know of is—

A. E. Galloway's they have everything from Presents for the Baby

Gifts for the Sweetheart

Fancy Yokes Centres Hand Bags

Pillows, crocheted or embroidered

Also complete line of Stamped Goods

Felt Shoes and Slippers Dresses, Hats and Coats

We carry a complete line of Dry Goods, Boots and Shoes

MRS. A. E. GALLOWAY'S

Professional Cards

MEDICAL

DR. E. C. CHANDLER

Physician and Surgeon

Office on Centre Street, near Third Avenue

EMPRESS - ALBERTA

LEGAL

D. S. SUTHERLAND

BARRISTER, SOLICITOR

NOTARY PUBLIC

Commissioner for Ours

Solicitor for The Town of Empress

Office on Centre St. EMPRESS, Alta.

HENRY J. DUFF

BARRISTER, SOLICITOR

NOTARY PUBLIC, Etc.

Money To Loan

EMPRESS - ALBERTA

Opposite Union Bank

UNDERTAKING

WILLIAM PULLIN—Funeral Director and Embalmer.

Full supply of caskets always on hand. All work attended to promptly day or night, and satisfaction guaranteed. Home in connection.

EMPRESS - ALBERTA

BUILDERS AND CONTRACTORS

LEACH & McLEAN

Builders and Contractors

ESTIMATES FURNISHED

EMPRESS - ALBERTA

WM. TORRY

Contractor and Builder

PLANS and ESTIMATES

Work Guaranteed

EMPRESS - ALBERTA

E. D. DONOVAN

LICENS'D AUCTIONEER

For provinces of Sask. and Alberta, is prepared to conduct all kinds of Sales at reasonable rates. Satisfaction guaranteed. Dates made at this office or at my residence, 6 miles south of Seelye.

Pd. Donovan, Seelye, Sask.

Empress

DRAY LINE

Light and Heavy Draying

Donald McArthur, Proprietor

WILLIAM PULLIN

Horse and Automobile Livery

Feed & Sale Stable

Horses always on hand for sale

"Red" Crawford Loses Life

That Priv. A. B. Crawford, a former well-known resident of our town, has given his life in allied cause is the news we glean from a contemporary. News received by his bereaved parents, at Indian Head, from the military authorities stated that Pte. Crawford was killed in action on November 6, 1917.

"Red," as he was commonly known, was among the pioneer settlers of our town, and was for a considerable time assistant on the N. D. Storey staff. He was among those local boys who joined up with Lieut. D. Gordon-Campbell.

Lot with small shack for sale cheap. Call at Land Office.

C. P. R. Places Embargo on Alberta Wheat

Embargo is taken at request of Board of Grain Supervisors

Winnipeg, Man. Dec. 10.—The Free Press carries the following:

"At the request of the Board of Grain Supervisors of Canada the C. P. R. has placed an embargo on the movement of wheat to Fort William over their lines in Alberta. All movement of wheat on their lines from now on in the province of Alberta will be to mills only.

"The territory covered by this embargo feeds mills at Medicine Hat, Maple Creek, Lethbridge, Macleod, Calgary and Vancouver, as well as smaller mills at more interior points. Practically all of these

mills have contracts for Britain and the Allies. For some time the Board of Grain Supervisors have been making very careful investigations as to the amount of wheat still in the country and have concluded that if contracts are to be met, and domestic requirements supplied, no more wheat must go off C. P. R. Lines in Alberta. The C. P. R., in accordance with the urgent demands of the Wheat Export Company, has been moving an exceptional amount before navigation closed.

In this effort they have succeeded possibly almost too well, as supplies seem to be very thoroughly cleaned up at some points.

The conflict of interests which has occasionally been apparent in the past between requirements of the Wheat Export Company for wheat and the buyers of flour for Britain and the Allies, has now been eliminated by the appointment of a buyer here who will work from the office of the wheat export company.

The movement of wheat off C. P. R. lines in Alberta has been much slower. The northern portion of the province, served by the latter road, is later than the south. So far the Board of Grain Supervisors have not found it necessary to place an embargo on their lines in regard to wheat moving for export.

Buy her a pair of shoes for Christmas at Peters.

Notice to Advertisers

Copy for changes of ads. brought into this office after noon on Mondays of each week, will POSITIVELY not be taken notice of until the following week, unless other arrangements happen to be made with the publishers.

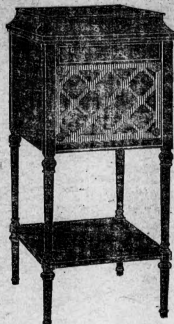
From Christmas To Christmas

WHAT a feeling of satisfaction it gives you to know that your Christmas Gift this year, will still be prized next Christmas and for many years to come. Our stock this year was picked for people who do not wish to waste good money on non-usable gifts during war time.

We Have a Useful War-Time Gift For Everybody

Watches
Clocks
Jewelry
Rings
Brooches
Links
Scarf Pins
Necklets
Pearl and Jet Beads
Bracelets
Bracelet Watches
Chains
Maple Leaf Pins
Souvenir Pins
Community Plate
Cut Glass
Tableware

French Ivory
Dressing and
Manicure Goods
Both in cases
and separate
articles.
Pipes
Tobacco Pouches
Leather Dressing
Bags
Hand Bags
Slippers
Collar Boxes, Purses
Card Cases
Glove Boxes
Handkerchief Boxes
Music Rolls, etc.
Baby Rings, Brace-
lets, Mugs, Pins,
Spoons, etc.



Every
Betta-
lion



That has left Canada since the war broke out has gone swinging to the sound of music across the Atlantic—on through England—up the torn roads of France. Even to the crest of Vimy Ridge their feet go swinging with music playing them on.

The battle line of this war is not confined to the Western or Eastern front. It passes through every home and every farm that is working in the great cause. And in all these places music is a national necessity.

It lightens the lot of the soldier in the trenches. It brightens the hours for those who are working and waiting at home. And it lays its healing hand on those who have suffered loss.

You Should Have More Music—Good Music—in Your Home

The NEW EDISON STORE OPEN EVERY NIGHT

Music Department

NEW SCALE WILLIAMS ENNIS & CO.

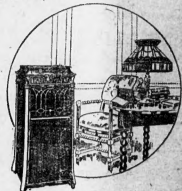
GERHARD HEINTZMAN

GOURLAY PIANOS and Player Pianos

Place your order now for Christmas delivery. The goods are on the way

Prices that you cannot beat Easy Terms
CHRISTMAS NEXT YEAR

and on Christmas Day, amid the jolly distribution of presents, now and again the happy family pause to enjoy last year's present, the Edison Diamond Disc Phonograph, which all the year has made Christmas every day.



All models shown carried in stock, as well as many others. You will want to get yours now as prices advance January 1st.

B. L. DAWDY & CO. JEWELRY & MUSIC STORES
From Christmas to Christmas Gifts

AUDITOR'S FINANCIAL STATEMENT

AND ANNUAL RETURNS

For The Village of Empress, Alberta

For the Year Ending October 31st, 1917

Financial Statement

RECEIPTS	DISBURSEMENTS
Balance from Previous year..... 202.75	Legal Expenses..... 28.68
Current Taxes..... 2,595.50	Postage, Printing and Stationery..... 202.85
Arrear Taxes..... 490.09	Salaries..... 605.00
Waterworks..... 1,420.00	Fire Department..... 686.99
Dog Taxes, Licenses and fines..... 238.75	Health Department and Cemetery..... 433.30
Proceeds of Notes..... 10,049.25	Public Works..... 1153.97
From other Sources..... 100.25	Waterworks and Parks..... 2537.01
Rents..... 180.00	Notes Paid..... 9138.45
Bank Overdraft..... 327.66	Miscellaneous Poor Relief and Patriotic..... 98.35
Outstanding Cheques..... 264.18	Police Department Exps..... 132.65
	Outstanding Cheques at Last Audit..... 569.12
	Cash balance..... 261.72
TOTAL..... \$15,982.09	TOTAL..... \$15,982.00

Statement of Assets and Liabilities

ASSETS	LIABILITIES
Cash on hand..... \$ 251.72	Bank or other Loans..... \$ 2337.66
Uncollected Taxes..... 10,056.00	Bills payable..... 447.25
Fire Hall and Equipment..... 1,500.00	Dom. Gov. S.W. i 24-23-1w4..... 270.00
Waterworks and Equipment..... 3,350.00	Miscellaneous C. P. R. Lot 8 Block 10..... 1,325.10
Land and other property..... 4,880.00	Balance Assets over Liabilities..... 16,058.74
Total..... 20,037.81	TOTAL..... \$20,037.81

I Hereby Certify to the correctness of this statement.

Dated at Empress, Alberta, this 15th Day of November, 1917.

R. M. HENDERSON, Secretary-Treasurer

M. A. BLODGETT, Official Auditor

Chautauqua Financial Report

RECEIPTS

Ticket sale—	
Shepherd & McEachern	\$95.00
M. A. Blodgett	42.00
N. D. Storey	96.00
H. L. Dawdy	35.00
J. Chasch	48.00
J. N. Anderson	16.75
Hankin & Sexton	45.50
R. M. Henderson	122.75
Afternoon	0.00
Evening	18.00
Sunday Evening collection	83.10
25 p.c. of total ticket sales (less rebate to committee 22.25)	131.30
	741.70

DISBURSEMENTS

Draft Ellison-White Dom	\$292.50
Draft, ditto	262.50
Empress Grill	3.10
Empress Express, adv'g	15.40
S. R. Tyler, hall rent	100.00
Union Church, Sun. Eve.	15.00
Returned Soldiers	83.20
	\$741.70

M. A. Blodgett, Secretary,
Chautauqua Committee

Have you seen and heard it? All phonographs in one. Plays any and every make of disc record, including Edison, Pathé, Victor and Columbia. Ask for a demonstration at Dawdy's Music Store.

Patriotic Fund

Empress Branch

Previously acknowledged	
W. M. Croasie	5.00
R. H. Brodie	2.50
Wm. Pullin	10.00
D. McEachern	5.00
H. P. Gregg	5.00
Wing Tien	5.00
Ira E. McLean	2.50
Wazlie Leach	2.50
S. G. Leach	15.00
F. D. Sparrow	10.00
J. I. Stoud	10.00
H. J. Reed	25.00
J. H. Williamson	20.00
J. Mackie	7.55
William J. Clarke	15.00
Zalmon D. Livermore	5.00

Total to date \$2534.20
There is still an unpaid balance of various subscriptions in the Empress district amounting to \$288.20. These were signed for in the form of promissory notes payable on or before October 1st, 1917. Delinquent subscribers are again requested to give the matter their attention and see that the amounts are paid in at as early a date as possible.

M. A. Blodgett, Secretary.

Something for everybody at everybody's price. Anything from a baby rattle to a player piano at Dawdy's.

"Your lard and butter's mighty high,"
The housewife said "why this increase?"

The grocer straightway made reply,
"The 'Allies have blockaded Greece."
—Coffeeville (Kan.) Journal

Santa Claus headquarters at Brown's.

ANNOUNCEMENT

Mrs. H. R. Simpson, wishes to announce to the ladies at Empress and the surrounding district that she has now the exclusive agency for the Sprella Corsets. Call or write, Mrs. H. R. Simpson, (residence 1 door east of Brown's Drug Store), Empress, Alberta.

"Some fine day, Bill"

I'll put on some life insurance and when I do I'll take it with you."

In these words last summer a young man declined to apply for an Imperial Life policy to protect his widowed mother against the contingency of his death.

Four weeks later he and a friend were drowned while bathing.

Supposing you should die suddenly—what would happen to your dependents? Would they be destined to a life of hardship? It is for you to say.

You can prevent it by means of an Imperial Home Protection policy. Let us tell you more about it? A postal will bring the information.

THE IMPERIAL LIFE

Assurance Company of Canada

HEAD OFFICE - TORONTO

M. A. Blodgett, Agent, Empress, Alta.

The Imperial maintains for policyholders' protection average reserves than those of any other Canadian company.

Feed Oats for Sale

Imperial Coal,

\$8.75 PER TON

Pembina Coal, \$8.25 per ton

Alberta Pacific Grain Co

Chas. P. Brabbins Ltd.



Save Gasoline—Save Tires —Drive a Maxwell Car

The automobile has suddenly become more than ever a necessity in passenger service.

We must go about from place to place to carry on our part of the world's work.

We can no more get along without motor cars than we can without the telephone or the telephone.

But motor cars to-day must be light, durable, economical.

The Maxwell has always been light, durable, economical—made so to meet an immense, sensible demand that has existed all the time.

To-day that demand is universal.

Don't take any chances.

Buy a Maxwell—the standardized car whose economy and durability have been proved.

Touring Car \$1045, Roadster \$1045, Coupe \$1540
Berline \$1540, Sedan \$1540, F.O.B. Windsor

GARRY S. TUCKER

Agent Empress, Alberta



Food Control

Until new ships, which are now under construction, become available as cargo carriers, the Allies must depend upon the North American continent for wheat and flour. Europe must import not less than 450,000,000 bushels of wheat, or the equivalent in flour, before the next harvest.

United States to-day cannot use bushel more than would be required for normal consumption in that country, and Canada has only a surplus of 110,000,000.

There is wheat in Argentina, Australia, Zealand, but to move it, more shipping is needed. North America must supply almost the entire wheat needs of the Allies at least for the next three or four months. The allied nations in Europe had completely exhausted all accessible reserves when the 1917 crop became available. Unfortunately the new harvest of France was less than half a normal, pre-war crop. The Italian crop was also much below the average. Their requirements from this country are heavier than was anticipated.

The geographical position of Canada and the United States to the allies makes it imperative that this continent should supply the foodstuffs for the next few months. Then let us clearly understand

1 The Allies must be fed.

2 They have in their own countries only a fraction of the amount of food stuffs required.

3 Until the shipping shortage is relieved, the allies are dependent upon Canada and the U.S. to make up their deficiency of essential food supplies.

3 Canada and the U.S. can only spare the needed supplies by reducing their own consumption at least 20 per cent.

5 If Canada and the U.S. should fail to make up this deficiency, the soldiers would have to go short and whole Allied cause might be endangered.

6 Individual effort individual spoonfuls of flour, individual economy in the use of bread and flour and individual substitution of other cereals for wheat alone can save the situation and give to the men at the front the support which they must have.

Get your flavoring extracts at Brown's drug store.

Conservation Gone Mad

Food conservation
Is the cry all day;
Mother's eating iron bolts
And father's chewing hay.
Henry's ate the table cloth,
The carpet on the stairs;
There's nothing left for Mary Ann
Except to say her prayers.
George's stewing up the broom
To make a saving soup;
Willie's out before the door
Gnawing off the stoop.
Reginald has made a hit
By soaking all his boots;
Door knobs take the place of eggs,
And chandeliers of fruits.
Rolon's eating shredded wheat;
You'd hardly call it food.
I would call it—what's the use?
I mustn't be too rude.

The remedy is plain to see;
Altho 'twill be a bore—
We'll have to cut out eating food
Until we've won the war.
—Springfield Union.

Victor, Columbia, and Edison machines and records at Brown's.

Brodie's Christmas Neckwear

Some Classy Neckwear is the general verdict in regard to our latest showing of fine

FOUR-IN-HANDS

AND OTHER TIES

Large Range of
Mens Mufflers

in many patterns to choose from at RIGHT PRICES

WINTER FOOT-WEAR

We carry a full range of Mens, Ladies, Misses, Childrens, Boys and Youths Winter Footwear

Underwear

Sweaters

Caps

Mackinaw Coats

Wool Mitts

Gloves

Everything to keep you warm. Come in and let us show our range. We know that our PRICES ARE RIGHT.

We Also Carry

Wool Blankets

Comforters

Pillows

Sheets

Pillow Covers

Everything Open
For Your
Inspection

W. R. BRODIE

VOTE FOR LAURIER

THE MAN FOR THE PEOPLE BY THE PEOPLE

A Vote for Union Government
means a vote for Borden, the
big interests representative

A VOTE for

C. B. REILLY

Means a Vote against the Profiteers and Better
Conditions for the Boys in the Firing Line

VOTE Liberal, December 17th

Let The People Rule



ROYAL YEAST

MADE IN CANADA

Government Farms For Training Stations

Suggestion of Senator Foster Widely Endorsed Throughout the Dominion

The suggestion made in the senate by Senator George G. Foster that the experimental farms through out the Dominion be used as training stations for agricultural workers, or who have been farmers before their enlistment and want to return to the work, is not an entirely new idea, for the military lands commission has already placed some farms for training at the farm at Truro.

This additional service which experimental farms may be rendered in supplying a training school for would-be farmers is being widely, and arrangements have been made for accommodating some returned soldiers at the experimental farm at St. Anne de Bellevue, and in the neighborhood of the college at Guelph, Ontario.

A committee in the senate will be appointed to consider the proposition further.

Minard's Liniment Cures Colds, etc.

How Many Hun Submarines Lost?

Germany Losing Pirate Ships at Rate of Four a Week

From January to the present date the British navy has destroyed twenty five German submarines as during the whole of 1916, and the Royal Navy is authority for the statement. The number destroyed in 1916 is not known, but it is believed to be approximately 75 under-water vessels. Assuming this to be correct, Germany has already lost this year no fewer than 120 U-boats or at the rate of about four a week. If this be so it is no wonder that the loss of steamers through the activities of German submarines has been greatly reduced. At present the loss of tonnage is less than one-third of what it was in April last, when the U-boat campaign was at its height—Vancouver World.

Almost

In the getting out of the first number of a new magazine in Tokyo recently a proofreader discovered that the number 40,000 had been printed 39,000. On inquiring through an interpreter, the proofreader said: "I can imagine a mistake of 20,000 or 30,000 being made, but how could the figure of 40,000 be so mistaken?" The reply was: "I had no '4' at the moment so I calculated that 20,000 would be nearer the right amount than any other figure."

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Two hundred men, representing the woolen industry of the United States, met in New York and after listening to an address by Charles Luskman, of the committee on supplies of the council of national defense, pledged their services and their resources to the whole-hearted support of the government.

Hereafter, if the plans adopted are carried out, the only way in which the citizens of the United States will be able to get all-wool garments will be through the aid of the United States and to take out the remainder with a view to civilian use.

According to the resolution the woolen industry will permit the use of fabrics containing a material percentage of other fibers than wool.

The resolution also provides for the determination of the dealers "to discourage the use of wool for purposes other than those essential for the comfort and health of the civilian population."

In this project the government is said to be co-operating with the woolen industry. To relieve this situation the committee suggested that the government arrange with the woolen industry to release from this country from 200,000,000 of wool to New Zealand and the Australian woolen industry, which she has stored up for present, refusing to do so, despite the long and varied orders from American manufacturers.

He Will Have to Hurry

The Kaiser, it is reported, has been compelled to sell a number of his horses to the British, and will have to hurry to get them before he decides to let his crown go.

Feigned Blindness And was Liberated

French University Professor Secured Release from German Prison in Remarkable Manner

A professor of the Sorbonne, the great French university in Paris, recently secured his release from a German military prison by a remarkable exercise of will power. In 1915, Dr. Deleury, at once to get free in some way, he feigned blindness.

From that time it was impossible for the German military doctors or eye specialists to catch him off his feet. He was subjected him to all the severest tests known, such as the application of unfamiliar and unexpected objects, sudden transitions from complete obscurity to dazzling light.

He was tortured by scientific ways of verifying sightlessness, but never once departed from a fixed black gaze, presenting always an absolute insensitiveness of expression in his eyes. He was finally declared totally blind and included in a recent exchange of permanently disabled prisoners.

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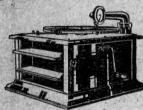
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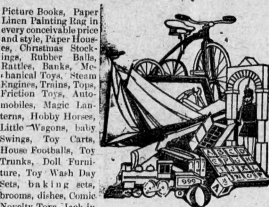
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Bearers Drop Casket While Entering Tomb

In one of the scenes in "The Living Death," a Wm. Fox photodrama of exceptional merit to be shown at the Grand Theatre Friday and Saturday nights this week, Dec. 14th and 15th, Robert B. Mantell, the world's foremost tragedian, is supposed to be buried alive. As Count Fabio Romani, he suffers sunstroke, and is hurried off to an untimely grave by his mercenary wife and his conspiring friend, Arturo Durazzi. Nerve in his varied stage career had Mr. Mantell been called upon to occupy a casket, but, since the plot called for it, he submitted, and stretched himself in a recumbent position within the confines of the awesome pine box.

The cover was clapped on and the box was raised to the shoulders of four stalwart bearers. Upon the arrival of the funeral procession at the Roman tomb, the bearers descended the steps and were about to deposit the casket in its assigned place when one end of the box—the end containing Mr. Mantell's head—slipped from the bearers' hands and crashed to the stone floor.

The jar was sufficient to cause Mr. Mantell to lose consciousness. When he partially regained his senses he found himself within the stifling, growl some walls of the casket. Camera men, property men and helpers of every description hastened to uncrew the casket cover. When it was removed Mr. Mantell recovered his breath, and, simultaneously, the use of his forceful, picturesque and manfully expressive vocabulary.

Loses Way; Has Feet Badly Frozen

A sad happening occurred to Miss Florence Gontner, sister-in-law, to Mr. E. C. Herr, on Saturday last, December 8. Starting out from town at 11 p.m., for the Herr farmstead she had the misfortune to lose her way and get her feet badly frozen. Having been warned previously by Mr. Herr of the danger of getting lost and of losing life or limbs by being frozen, the girl continued to walk until 6 a.m. next day. Twice in her wanderings she reached the banks of the Saskatchewan River, and it was near 6 o'clock before her wanderings brought her near enough to town to distinguish light. She had acquired a wobbly way to Mr. Jarbo's, but the occupant who was in bed and did not open the door said he did not know. Finally recognizing Mr. A. Hay's residence she managed to make her way on there to Dr. Chandler's house. On examination her feet were found to be badly

frozen, and it was upwards of an hour before they gave signs of returning animation.

People here will be pleased to learn that Miss Gontner is now well on the road to recovery and that it will be unnecessary to make any amputation whatsoever. However, her nervous system has received a severe shock and she is at present unable to converse with anyone. It is expected that she will be able to leave the hospital for her home in the course of a week, although some little time will elapse before she regains use of the frozen limbs. So far as can be ascertained, there can be no blame attached to anyone for Miss Gontner's misfortune, and reports of this nature that apparently have been going the rounds are without foundation.

From Christmas to Christmas gifts at Dawdy's.

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From D. W. Griffith's Colossal \$2,000,000 Spectacle "Intolerance" to be shown at the Grand Theatre, Empress, Friday, Dec. 21st

SUPPORT UNION GOVERNMENT

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Win the War

A Laurier-Bourassa Victory means deserting our boys in the trenches for over a year, throwing up our hands and quitting! Don't shout "Kamerad" under the Referendum proposal. Come out and fight for Union Government.

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IF LAURIER WINS:

- (1) Canada will send no more reinforcements to the front, which practically means quitting the war and placing the country in the same class as Russia.
- (2) The French-Canadians who have shirked their duty in this war will be the dominating force in the Government of the country.

ARE THE ENGLISH-SPEAKING PEOPLE PREPARED TO STAND FOR THAT?

It is because the French-Canadians have not done their duty that Conscription had to be resorted to.

The French-Canadians have made it perfectly clear that they do not like the war and are against Canada participating in it further. Some of them even go to the length of saying that the soldiers should be brought back from the front. The Nationalists are demanding that the men who have been enrolled under the Military Service Act be disbanded and sent back to their homes. To secure the Nationalist support Laurier-Liberal candidates in Quebec have signed the following pledge:—

"I, the undersigned, candidate in the Federal Elections, undertake by these presents, if I am elected, to demand the immediate suspension of the Military Service Act, 1917, and of all its effects until Canadian electors have pronounced by way of plebiscite; and should the majority of the electors condemn it, that it be considered as null from its origin and that in consequence all conscripts be disbanded."

"I also undertake to vote against any Government which should refuse to adopt the above mentioned policy."

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pupils, etc. Fire drills are necessary as well. The school must seek to improve the mental and physical welfare of the pupils.

A few inexpensive pictures, such as the Terry pictures, should be secured for the school-rooms, and some larger pictures, as time goes on, for the hall.

Some equipment in the way of physical science and chemical apparatus should be provided. A suggested list of this will be mailed you in a few days.

I am pleased to note that a good average attendance is being maintained—about 80 p.c. Here, however, you will see that there is an opportunity for improvement. It is worth mentioning that the efficiency of the school can be increased by first the degree to which you can increase the average attendance. Regularity is of great significance. You may find it desirable to appoint an attendance officer to this end.

Your school is just making the foundation for real expansion. It will take some time to get the grading, especially in the advanced classes on a thoroughly sound, progressive basis. You should have a large class for entrance to the High School in 1919. From that time your High School will grow in numbers and importance, in a more noticeable way. Parents and pupils must be made to feel the importance of this work. Pupils must do some homework in these advanced grades if they are to succeed.

Miss McGuire holds a 2nd class professional certificate for Alberta. She has charge of Grades I and II, in all 40 pupils. I considered the grading satisfactory, and was well pleased with the subject matter being presented, and the method employed. Substantial, thorough progress is made by these classes. I believe that Miss McGuire is interested and willing. She has the confidence of the children, and is a good influence with them.

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I find that there are 51 pupils in this room. I have no hesitation in recommending that the

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mature pupils now in Grade VII be sent to the Principal's room. This is a perfectly sound procedure, and is desirable for many reasons—discussed fully with Mr. Conn.

I find Mr. Conn careful, painstaking, and very much in earnest about his school. I am satisfied that you have in him, one who will organize the effect of the school along businesslike lines, and given a little time and encouragement, will put the grading upon a sound basis, and get results.

With best wishes for continued expansion, and the assurance of my interest in your school, I am,

Yours faithfully,
(Sgd) W. G. Gorman,
Inspector of Schools

1918 pocket diary at Brown's drug store, 1918.

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Thanks Local Victory Loan Committee

Calgary, Dec 5th, 1917

R. M. Henderson,
Hon. Chairman,
Canada's Victory Loan,
Empress, Alta.

Dear Mr. Henderson:—

I wish to take this opportunity of thanking you personally and your Secretary, Mr. M. A. Blodgett, as well as your Executive Committee for the splendid showing made from Empress and vicinity in this Victory Loan. I can assure you that I have felt honored to have had the pleasure of working with such splendid representative gentlemen, and I would be pleased if you would

convey to each one my sincere thanks for their splendid co-operation.

Empress figures have been simply grand and the total for my division received up to yesterday is \$240,200.00, that is \$40,000.00 in excess to what was asked for, and I would not be surprised but that by the time the outlined districts have reported that this amount may reach \$250,000.00.

Again thanking you, I am
Yours faithfully,
A. McTeer,
Executive Deputy for District.

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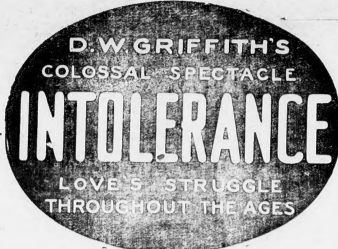
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Inspector Gorman's Report On The Empress School

Mr. R. M. Henderson, Secretary
Dear sir:

I beg to advise your board of trustees regarding my visit to your school today. Let me first express my own appreciation of the interest which your Board and the ratepayers show in educational matters as indicated by the fine new, modern school building which you have provided and equipped. It is very evident that you have not spared time and expense in this regard. You have a school building which is distinctly a credit to the town and the surrounding country. You have looked carefully to the future in building, and I am satisfied that your public spirit in this regard will do much to stimulate educational endeavor in this part of the province. I am aware of the task which devolves upon a trustee board in carrying such an enterprise to a successful conclusion, and

I congratulate you upon the result of your efforts.

I trust that you may find it possible at no distant time to give this building a pleasing setting by surrounding the grounds with a suitable fence. By encouraging tree planting and school gardening you can do much to improve the attractiveness, value and general usefulness of your school property. Neat, attractive surroundings are of great educational value. Some effort should be made, too, to provide some simple playground equipment for the younger children—such as small substantial swings, teeters, etc. A sand pile or two for the younger children is very desirable. Organized play, that is games should be encouraged among the older pupils, and the teachers should be encouraged to give some time to the supervision of the activities of the playground. Too much importance cannot be attached to this phase of school life. There should be, too, a definite effort to improve the tactics of the school—I refer to class movements, dismissals, assembling

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Local and Personal

Mrs. D. McEachern is in Regina attending the funeral of her niece Miss F. Briggs.

Mr. H. J. Swanson left this morning for Troy, Idaho, having received news of the sickness of his parents.

At the Christmas Entertainment on Dec. 20, a charge of 25c will be made for adults, and children will be admitted free of charge.

Mr. and Mrs. B. Loeper and family left on Friday last for California, on a visit to relatives, and will spend the winter there.

Mr. C. Jarboe, was a week-end visitor to town He brought in a three-year old steer carcass, which weighed 875 lb. The White Meat Market were the purchasers.

A mishap occurred in the heating plant of the hotel the latter part of last week which put the machinery out of commission. Prompt attention, however, on the part of the management in getting expert help resulted in a quick repair being made.

Says the "News," Indian Head, "A. S. Burrill who spent his early days in the Province of Quebec got a letter from an old citizen he used to know down there. The following is an extract from the letter: 'By gosh dat scripshon good ting; I got big farm me; I very hole man, no can work; I got four boy me; no stay home; they go city have good time; I ask if he stay, he say no, no. She don't like my farm. I can't do it me; have jist one little pig run on pasture. Now scripshon come good; my four boy come home; she work like hell; say him stay too; Yee aroo, dat good ting by gosh; he parlet the pulpwood all the time.'"

The Christmas Tree Entertainment will be held in the theatre, Thursday evening, December 20th, at 8 p.m.

N. D. Storey returned from a trip to Indian Head and other eastern points on Wednesday of last week.

George Avey returned on Wednesday from Calgary. George deputized for the head men who were appointed to interview the C. P. R. regarding prices of lots in this townsite. The result of his mission gives rise to the belief that the railway company's officials are inclined to listen to the petition of the ratepayers and see what can be done.

N. D. Storey, a former live wire on Grand Avenue and now the leading business man at Empress, Alta., spent Sunday and Monday of this week in town and left for his home on Tuesday.—News, Indian Head.

F. W. Flett, from Calgary, was here on Monday at the request of the school board trustees. Mr. Flett's advice was needed in regard to the adjustment of the school heating plant. It appears that the provincial authorities laid much stress on the ventilation, for more cold air was coming in than the furnaces could heat. Mr. Flett said that by leading the cold air pipes to the furnace direct, that the furnaces would work properly. This alteration is now being made by Mr. A. C. McCauley. The expense will be borne by the contractors the furnaces being installed under a guarantee to the district.

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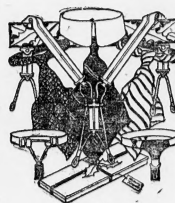
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